

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant	:	Gunn, III et al.
Appl. No.	:	10/776,475
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For	:	OPTICAL WAVEGUIDE GRATING COUPLER
Examiner	:	Daniel J. Petkovsek
Group Art Unit	:	2874

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

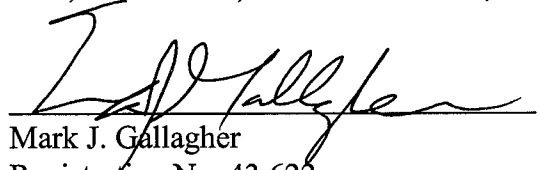
In response to the statement of reasons for allowance set forth in the Notice of Allowability mailed on March 12, 2007, Applicant wishes to point out that each claim is patentable based on the combination of all elements recited therein and not on any particular feature or subset of features. Accordingly, to the extent that the statement bases patentability on any one claim element or group of claim elements, Applicant respectfully disagrees.

Respectfully submitted,

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